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Gardner Answers the Call for Help in Greensburg

Gardner Public Works employees are answering the call for help in Greensburg, Kansas after a major tornado leveled most of the houses and businesses in the community. Currently, two employees from the Street Division of Public Works are serving seven days to help clear the streets and town of scattered debris. The other willing employees are waiting for the Federal Emergency Management Agency to allow more workers to volunteer their time in the clean up. Upon receiving the work order from FEMA, the City of Gardner Public Works Department is planning to allow employees to volunteer their time in seven day rotations, sleeping in tents or temporary shelter throughout their service rotation. The City of Gardner has debris moving equipment in Greensburg to better transition working crews and plans to retrieve the equipment after the third rotation. The first crew will return May 23, 2007 and a second crew will replace them after the Memorial Day holiday, May 29, 2007.